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## NEW YORK EGG PRODUCTION DOWN 3 PERCENT IN SEPTEMBER

Egg production on New York farms totaled 95 million eggs in September 2009, down 3 percent from last year, according to Stephen Ropel, Director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New York office.

The number of hens and pullets of laying age, at 4.01 million, increased slightly from September 2009 but the rate of lay decreased 3 percent to 2,371 eggs per 100 layers.

A dozen eggs brought New York poultry farmers an average of 57.0 cents per dozen for eggs sold in September, down 0.5 cents from August and down 31.2 cents from September 2008.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.37 billion during September 2009, up slightly from last year. Production included 6.34 billion table eggs, and 1.03 billion hatching eggs, of which 961 million were broiler-type and 69 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during September 2009 averaged 334 million, down slightly from last year. September egg production per 100 layers was 2,209 eggs, up 1 percent from September 2008.

U.S. egg-type chicks hatched during September 2009 totaled 40.0 million, up 8 percent from September 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 36.2 million on October 1, 2009, down slightly from a year ago. The information in this release is available by free email subscription by subscribing to New York reports at [www.nass.usda.gov/ny](http://www.nass.usda.gov/ny).

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